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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: Johnna Stimpak

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In re Application of:

Joaquin Feria et al.

Serial No.: 09/680,902

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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The undersigned representative conducted a telephonic Interview with Examiner Johnna R. Stimpak on August 18, 2005. Claims 1 and 17 were discussed. An agreement was made to incorporate limitations of claim 17 into claim 1 and to add additional limitations to claims 1 and 6 to overcome issues with 35 USC 101. Authorization was given for the Examiner to prepare an Examiner's Amendment to make these amendments.

Application Serial No. 09/680,902 Interview Summary dated November 11, 2005

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned should there be any further matters to resolve.

Respectfully submitted,

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